

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE, WEDNESDAY, 28 MAY 2025

PRESENT: Councillor A Roberts, Chairman, Councillors, B Gregory, E Gregory, R Griffiths, R Lloyd, M Robinson, and T Brown, Clerk.

45. APOLOGIES

apologies were received from Councillor J Shallcross and K Shallcross.

46. CODE OF CONDUCT

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

47. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That

the Minutes of the meeting held on 27 November 2024 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

48. MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

Membership 8 members including 2 ex-officio

Councillors A Roberts, Chair, B Gregory, E Gregory, R Lloyd, M Robinson, J Shallcross K Shallcross (Ex-officio R Griffiths and A Roberts)

Terms of Reference

- to report to the Council on all matters relating to regeneration of the Town including observations on planning applications and where necessary, because of urgency, to have delegated power to act on such applications; to liaise with the relevant bodies and consider any planning matters as they affect Saltney.
- to be responsible to the Council for the preparation of the Business Plan
- to report to the Council on all matters affecting the Environment of Saltney including anti-social behaviour and Emergency Planning and flood prevention

RESOLVED: That

(1) the membership of the Environmental and Regeneration Committee be noted.

(2) the Terms of Reference of the Committee be noted.

RESOLVED: That

the Environmental and Regeneration Committee continue to work on the Saltney Town Action Plan and report periodically to Council.

49. ENVIRONMENT (WALES) ACT 2016 PART 1 – SECTION 6 THE BIODIVERSITY AND RESILIENCE OF ECOSYSTEMS DUTY REPORT - 2025

Members were asked to consider the Biodiversity report and make any comments with a view to publishing later in the year.

Members agreed that more wildflowers were needed along the Riverside Walk. Fruit trees be planted on the Rec, Park Avenue, Bradshaw Avenue and the football ground, Sandy Lane.

School Governors could suggest to the schools that trees/fruit trees were planted on school fields.

It was agreed that members of the committee do a walk around the township and feed any comments back to the Town Clerk.

It was noted that the Town Council needed to publish its Environment (Wales) Act 2016 Part 1 – Section 6 The Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty Report by December 2025.

RESOLVED: That

the report be noted with a view to its publication in December 2025.

50. SALTNEY TOWN ACTION PLAN

It was agreed at the last meeting that this item would be the same format as the riverside walk programme. It would remain as a standard item on each agenda going forward to enable Members to feed back their thoughts about the process of producing an action plan for Saltney, giving further consideration moving forward towards a possible public consultation.

Below is a link to latest version of the Councils plan for information.

<http://www.deeside.com/saltney-town-council-business-plan/>

The Clerk and the Chair of the Committee will meet to draft a programme going forward.

RESOLVED: That

Members of the Environmental and Regeneration Committee continue to work on the Saltney Town programme and report to a future meeting of the Council.

51. WORK PROGRAMME – RIVERSIDE WALK 2025-26

Members were asked to consider and make comments on the work programme for the Riverside Walk for 2025-26.

The Town Council would continue to work in partnership with the Coastal Ranger, Flintshire County Council to improve and regenerate the Saltney Riverside Walk.

Members agreed that the Riverside Walk was particularly important to the local community and their health and wellbeing.

The proposed work programme detailed work phases throughout 2025-26. Any additional funding required would need Council approval and would need to come from Council reserves.

RESOLVED: That

Environmental and Regeneration Committee make necessary recommendations to Council be on the work programme for 2025-26 as and when necessary.

Chairman

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